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In re Application of: )  
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Application No.: 10/787,205 ) Examiner: Unassigned  
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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MANAGING ) Confirmation No.: 4680  
PRODUCT RETURNS USING RETURN )  
AUTHORIZATION NUMBERS )

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**STATUS INQUIRY**

According to our records, the above-identified application was filed on February 27, 2004. We received the Notice of Publication of Application, which was mailed September 1, 2005. However, to date, an Official Communication on the merits from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has not been received.

In view of these circumstances, the undersigned respectfully requests that she be advised of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the Applicant is required at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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